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WIDA Standards Training

- Registration for the WIDA English language development (ELD) standards overview training for English learners is still open but space is limited. Trainings will be held:

- 6-10-14 (Bloomington)
- 6-12-14 (Fort Wayne)
- 6-13-14 (Indianapolis)
- 6-24-14 (Hammond)
- 6-27-14 (Indianapolis)
- 7-16-14 (Indianapolis)
- 7-17-14 (Indianapolis)

-Visit [HERE](#) for more information and to register (free). Title III or NESP funds could be used for related costs such as substitutes, stipends, or travel per an approved grant.

Three Ways to Meet GQE Requirements

The Offices of Student Assessment, English Learning & Migrant Education, and Student Services have collaborated to provide additional guidance regarding limited English proficient (LEP) students on page 3 of the [document](#).

Assessment Update

The ELP assessment for SY14-15 has not been announced yet and we hope to release this information soon. If schools are beginning to assess their incoming Kindergarten students or new students for next year, via the results of the Home Language Survey (HLS), then the current LAS links placement assessment should still be used. For a refresher on enrollment and assessment procedures, view the [Enrollment 101 Webinar](#).

Check out these awesome opportunities for PD!

- WIDA ELD Standards Overview Webinar located [HERE](#).

-IDOE "[Success with English Learners](#)" EL Webinar Series: These recorded webinars are free and can be viewed at any time. Participants can earn a PGP certificate for participating.

-**June 19, 2014 Title I Summit**; Indianapolis, IN. Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.

- **July 7-11, 2014 Implementing Activity Centers Using the Six Standards for Effective Pedagogy**; Indianapolis, IN. Presented by Dr. Annala Teemant (IUPUI). Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.

- **Know of any other great PD events?** Email the details to nwilliamson@doe.in.gov

ESEA Waiver Corner

Under Indiana's [ESEA flexibility request](#), Indiana received a waiver of the requirement to calculate AYP and to designate schools and LEAs in improvement. However, despite these changes, the components of AYP remain in effect including:

- Annual Measurable Objectives (AMOs) in reading/language arts and mathematics for grades 3-8 and once in high school for all subgroups, including limited English proficient

Similarly, under ESEA flexibility, Indiana and LEAs must continue to calculate the Annual Measurable Objective Objectives (Section 3122 of Title III).

States that are transitioning to college career-ready standards and aligned assessments during the 2014-2015 school year, which includes Indiana, may request a change to its accountability system to reflect changes in its method for calculating AMAO 3, which can be found on page 74 of Indiana's ESEA flexibility request. The IDOE will have the ability to reset the AMAO 3 targets to align with the new assessment.

Grant Reminders

- Title III FFY 2012 funds need to be encumbered by 9-30-14 and liquidated by 12-15-14. Title III FFY 2013 does not have to be encumbered or liquidated until 2015.
- NESP 2013 funds need to be requested by 6-1-14, encumbered by 9-30-14, and liquidated by 12-15-14.

As a reminder, EDGAR [34 CFR 80.36](#) states that subgrantees must follow their districts' policies and procedures regarding procurement, such as costs being reasonable and necessary. Grant amendments of very large amounts near the encumbrance date might not be approved without further documentation.

College and Financial Aid Resources

-The White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics has created the "[Graduate! Financial Aid Guide to Success](#)" to help Hispanic students and families navigate the college application process.

Non-public Guidance

View this [document](#) for guidance regarding non-public schools participation in Title III and Choice Scholarship Program schools' requirements regarding English learners.